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Major **Part B for** Nov 1873

SUBJECT.

Certain alterations in the organisation of Silahdar force.

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From Military Assistant
No. 687/108 d/ the 15th November 18

"Order thereon"

With regard to the proposals contained in t above the Chief Comm: concurs in the following:-

(1). The establishment of the Commissioned Ran of Jemadar, and the appointment of one offic of this rank to each Troo

(2). The change of designati of the Non-commissioned grade from Jemadar a Duffadar

(3). The appointment of one Trumpeter to each Troop, and a Trumpet Major to each Corps.

(4). The abolition of the grade of Mahaldar a orderlies, and the transfe of the men of that class now in the Service to the grade of Sowar.

II. Colonel Meade does not concur in the proposed abolition of Kettle Drummers or Nishan bearers for the present, as these classes are regarded with favour by

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names

II. The Commissioners would propose the following establishment for the future for each Regiment.

1	Regimentdar	Rs 250
6	Russeldars at Rs 120/	720
6	Jemadars at Rs 42/	252
1	Sunduffadar or Wordie Major	60
30	Duffadars at Rs 35/	1050
1	Nishanburdar	30
1	Trumpet Major	32
6	Trumpeters at Rs 26/	156
1	Kettle Drummer	26
324	Silladers at Rs 26/	8424
1	Surpeshcar at Rs 40	
6	Peshcars at Rs 35/=210	250
1	Nakeeb	28
1	Shanda Duffadar 6	
3	Shandawallas 15	21
385	effective - Grand total	11299

IV. The Chief Commissioner deems that the total cost (under this arrangement) shews an increase of Rs 675 per mensem on the present Establishment of a Regiment, but that there are 24 more Sowars, whose aggregate pay is Rs 624, so the real increase is very small.

V. Colonel Beadle sees no

necessity for the retention
of Juffundars or a Pyrol
Mahaldar, and he considers
that 30 Duffadars/or 5 Jemadars
will be sufficient, as there would
be a certain number of
Lance Duffadars who might
get Rs-2 or 3 per mensem
extra as such

VI Before final orders
are passed the Chief Commr
will be glad to have Majr
Stewarts further opinion
on the subject, accompanied
with a report showing the
general result of the
reduction, and the number
of men of all grades who
will be left to form the
three new Regiments.

Offg Secy
to Military Assistant.

the force.

No 111 dated 22d August 1873.-

The Government of India have ~~sanctioned~~ the extension to the Kupore Silladar Horse after the reduction shall have been effected the pension rules of the Hyderabad The Military Assistant submitts a list showing what these pensions are.

22/11.

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1/3/74 -

Sir H. Durand

These papers have reached me in camp today. I have perused the report, but I think the question is one with which I ought not, under the circumstances, now to deal. The Chief Commr will probably very soon return, and his opinion should certainly be taken on Major Elwood's proposals before final reorganization be sanctioned. For the present therefore no orders will be passed. I should like to see the papers again on my return to Banda Saloree.

29/11

1. With regard to Subadars' Pensions, I concur in the following -

The Est.t of the Com.d Grade of Jemadar, and the appointment of one Officer of this rank to each Corps -

2. The change of designation of the Com.d Grade from Jemadar to Duffadar -

3. The appointment of one Dumpeh in to each Troop & a Dumpeh Major to each Corps -

4. The abolition of the Grade of Mukaddam as Andalee, and the transfer of the men of that Class now in the Service to the Grade of Sowar.

~~5. The reduction of the Establishment of Mukaddams from 13 Horse for each Battalion to 10 for each Regiment.~~

5. I do not concur in the abolition of the Cattle Drivers & would leave them as at present. Their duties required them to be known by Natives & had better not be interfered with.

6. I think the Head of the Ruby Silladar Horse of the Regular Cavalry of these ~~Corps~~ Provinces, as combined with

[illegible] 7/3/74

the Existing arrangements, such Regts. [illegible] consisted of 6 Duffadars, 6 Jemadars, 36 Duffadars 3 Kettledrummers. 1 Drummer. 6 Kettle Drummers. 6 Trumpeters. 324 Sowars.

III The Establishment should consist of the following Officers and Men as follows:-

1 Regimental	—	250 -
6 Guides at 120/-		720 -
6 Grenadiers at 42/-		252 -
1 Sub-officer as Drum Major	—	60 -
30 Buffaloes at 35/-		1050 -
1 Riding Master at 30/-		30 -
1 Trumpet Major	—	32 -
6 Trumpeters	— at 26 -	156 -
1 Kettle Drummer	—	26 -
324 Gunners at 26	—	8424 -
1 Carpenter	— 40/-	
6 Farriers at 35/-	210	250 -
1 Saddler	—	28 -
1 Assistant Buffaloes	— 6	
3 Bandsmen	— 67-15	21
385 Effective	Grand Total	11299

This shows an increase of R. 675 per annum on the present Establishment of a Regt., but there are 24 more Gunners than a Regt. of R. 624, so the

Dear Lucas to keep small —

I see no necessity for the retention of Englanders in Egypt when 30 Anglo-Indians / 5 Am Troops / & a Sufficient Number of Native Troops would be a sufficient number of Native Anglo-Indians who might get £2 or 3 per m. Egypt to work —

I think he [illegible] Major Stewart's opinion on the subject

IV.

Private
10/3/74

7/3/74

3 The establishment which the Chf. Com.r would now propose for each Regt. is as follows

Will Standard by C.C.

1 Regimentar	—	Rs 250
6 Messaldars at 120/	—	720
6 Jemadars at ~~44~~ 50	—	~~252~~ 300
1 ~~Surdaffadar~~ Surzaffadar or Woordie Major	—	60
30 Duffadars at ~~30~~ 35/	—	1050
1 Standard bearer	—	~~34~~ 32
1 Trumpet Major	—	32
6 Trumpeters at ~~30~~ 26/	—	156
1 Kettle drummer	—	26
324 Silladars at 26/		~~8424~~ +8502
1 Surgaishcar	—	40
6 Paishcars	— 35/	210
1 Kukeeb	—	28
1 Thunda Duffadar	—	6
3 Thundawallas at 5/	—	15
389		Rs 11347

"Rs 84"

Calculation

324 Silladars
26
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648
8424

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Rs 11399

4. There is a annual
increase of Rs 775 a
month on the present
cost of a Regiment: But
the effective ~~increase~~
strength & the addition of
4 Ch Sowars. Their pay
at Rs 26 amounts to
Rs 624: the reliefs
therefore is only Rs 151 a
month.

5 There seems no reason
for the retention of Duffadars
or of the Sydul Makuldars
6 Their Duffadars &
a supernumerary number
~~that allows~~ 1 for each
Beradary, or 5 for each
of the 6 Troops of which
a Regiment consists
7 A certain number of

Lance Dffadars on
Rs 2 per mensem
~~Rs 3 each~~ extra
~~a month~~ might be
sanctioned - Dr. [illegible]
[illegible]
#10. the Offg Com. will
be glad to have Major
Stewart's opinion on this,
together
with a Report
showing the general
result of the reductions,
and the number of men
of all ranks left to
form the three new
Regiments - In the event
of the adoption of
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Rissr & Dfg Dffadr
and Farriers a
corresponding
reduction
should be
made in
the number
of Troops &c

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including of the Rep.
Sold to the Shreveport
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the Officiating Assistant to
Chief Commissioner.
tary to Chief Commissioner,
General Department.
Bangalore Tuesday 15th
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19th Nov.
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Enclosures No. 3

No. 6870
No. 108 3 1873 74.

Subject.

Submits the report called
in the 3rd Paragraph of Mysore
ernment Order No. 2932 dated
52
September 1873, in reference
to future organization of
Mysore Silladar Horse.—

Military Assistant's Office

General No. 687 / Camp Secretariat,
Military No. 108 / 1873-74. / 15th November 1873

From the Military Assistant to the
Chief Commissioner of Mysore
To,
The Secretary to the
Chief Commissioner of Mysore

Sir,

In submitting the scheme called for in the 3d Paragraph of Government of Mysore Order No. 2932/52 dated 2d September 1873, for the future in the File grant of pensions to the Mysore Horse, I have the honor in the first instance to propose for the consideration of the officiating Chief Commissioner certain alterations in the present Regimental organization, which while in some extent adopting that of the Hyderabad Contingent, to which corps it is proposed to assimilate the pensions; would I consider tend towards promoting that higher standard of efficiency which the officiating Chief Commissioner has desired.—

While

2. While recommending these changes, I have endeavoured to retain as far as is consistant with efficiency the old organization of the Silladar Horse, and merely propose the abolition of certain of the existing grades which in the present day do not form necessary adjuncts to Regiments of Cavalry, and the establishment of other grades which will ensure the more correct fulfilment of the duties which will hereafter devolve upon the Silladars.

3. The accompanying table shows the present organization of a Regiment of Cavalry Hyderabad Contingent, of the Mysore Horse, and of the proposed organization which latter involves the following changes.—

I. The abolition of the post of Dunka Nawaz or Kettle Drummer.—

II. The abolition of the post of Nishan-burdar or standard bearer.—

III. The amalgamation into the ranks of the five Mahuldars or mounted orderlies.—

&c.

IV. The establishment of a junior grade of Commissioned officer to be styled Jemadar, one Jemadar being allotted to each troop or Ressalah, or five in all. —

V. The change of the designation of the Non-commissioned rank from Jemadar to Duffadar. —

VI. The appointment of a Trumpeter to each troop with a Trumpet Major. —

4. The kettle Drums are neither useful nor ornamental, and standards are rarely carried in Cavalry Regiments. —

5. Troopers can do the work of orderlies and the rank of orderly as a separate grade appears unnecessary. —

6. The Jemadars proposed to be established would take their share in the supervision of the duties of the Sillahdars. So long as the former system of leaving the Regiments with only their old native organization was continued, one officer was sufficient to each Troop.

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now however continual drill and numerous pa-
rades involve constant supervision over the
table management, the dress and accoutrements,
the detailing of men for duty &c., and is more
than one man can perform. The appointment
of a Jemadar to each troop would moreover be a
stepping stone to the post of Ressaldar, and would
be the means of bringing forward the best men
which it is now difficult to single out from the
Non-Commissioned ranks. —

The change in the designation of
the Non-Commissioned rank involves no increas-
ed charge. —

A Trumpeter to each troop is a neces-
sity, more particularly as the Regiments are
much scattered, and the Trumpet Major
would be selected to supervise the duties of the
troop Trumpeters and to teach them the calls.

The accompanying table shows the
increased charge of the proposed establishment
over the present one to be Rupees 1148-10-8 per
Regiment

Statement Shewing the scale of Pensions to be granted to the Mysore Silladar Horse on the proposed organization calculated at the same rates as the Hyderabad Contingent.

Rank.	Twenty years service	Forty years service	Remarks.
Resimentdar	50	80	
Ressaldar	25	40	
Surzuffierdar	15	24	
Jemadar	12	20	
Duffadar	5	8	
Jufferdar	4	6	
Trumpet Major	5	8	
Trumpeters	3½	5	
Sillahdar	3½	5	
Surpaishcar	6	9	
Paishcar	5	8	
Nakeeb	4	6	
Oydul Mahuldar Jhunda Duffadar Jhundawallah	2	3	

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Military Assistant

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Military Assistants Office
Camp Soorawar Sunday 15th November 1873.

Statement shewing the present organization of a Regiment of

Horse, and of the proposed organization of a Regiment of th

Present organization of a Regiment of the Hyderabad contingent Fighting Ranks.					Present organization of a Regiment of the Mysore Silladar Horse.							
No.	Rank.	Pay per mensem			No.	Rank.	Pay per mensem			Amount		
1	Ressaldar Major	300	-	-	1	Regimentdar				250	-	-
6	Ressaldars	150			6	Ressaldars	120	-	-	720	-	-
12	Jemadars	49	9	5	1	Surzufferdar				60	-	-
48	Duffadars	41	5	2	30	Jemadars	35	-	-	1,050	-	-
1	Trumpet Major	38	-	-	6	Jufferdars	30	-	-	180	-	-
6	Trumpeters	30	-	-	2	Trumpeters	25	-	-	50	-	-
500	Troopers	30	-	-	1	Dhunkahawaz				26	-	-
					1	Nishanburdar				26	-	-
					300	Silladars	26	-	-	7,800	-	-
					1	Surpaishcar				40	-	-
					6	Paishcars	35	-	-	210	-	-
					1	Nakeeb				28	-	-
					6	Mounted Mahuldars	26	-	-	156	-	-
					1	Pydul Mahuldar				7	10	8
					1	Shunda Duffadar				6	-	-
					3	Shundawallas	5	-	-	15	-	-
						Total for one Regiment				10,623	10	8
						For 6 Regiments				63,742	-	-

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1873.

e Hyderabad Contingent and of the Mysore Silladar

latter Force.—

Proposed organization of a Regiment
of the Mysore Silladar Horse.—

No.	Rank.	Pay per Annum.	Amount.	Remarks.
1	Regimentdar		250 - -	
6	Ressaldars	120 - -	720 - -	
1	Surzuffurdar		60 - -	
6	Jemadars	42 - -	252 - -	
33	Duffadars	35 - -	1155 - -	
6	Zuffurdars	30 - -	180 - -	
1	Trumpet Major		32 - -	
6	Trumpeters	25 - -	150 - -	
133	Sillahdars	26 - -	8,658 - -	
1	Surpaishcar		40 - -	
6	Paishcars	35 - -	210 - -	
1	Nakeeb		28 - -	
1	Jhunda Duffadar		6 - -	
3	Jhundawallas	5 - -	15 - -	
1	Oydul Mahuldar		7 10 8	
406			11,763 10 8	
1,219	For 3 Regiments		35,317 - -	Plus one Sillahdar's pay to complete the number to 1,000 as sanctioned by the Government of India.
	Monthly saving		28,425 - -	

Monthly pay of a Regiment of the Mysore Silladar Horse organization as sanctioned by the Government of India — 11,772-5-4.

Monthly pay of a Regiment of the Mysore Silladar Horse organization as present constituted — 10623-10-8

Decrease — 1148-10-8

Forwarded

Major, Military Assistant

B. Venkatachar
Brahmin

Proceedings of the Chief Commr.

Letter from the Military Asst.

No 687 of the 15 Novr. 1873.
108

Order thereon No. 6968
156

Dated March 23rd 1874.

Of the Military Assistant proposals, the Chief Commissioner approves of the following:

I. The establishment of the Commissioned grade of Jemadar and the appointment of a Jemadar to each Troop.

II. The change of designation of the non-commissioned grade of Jemadar to Duffadar.

III. The appointment of a Trumpeter to each Troop and of a Trumpet Major to each Regiment.

IV. The abolition of the Sraq

per mensem might also be sanctioned. Two per troop would probably be enough.

6. In lieu of the Surpeshcar and Peshcars, the appointment of a Regimental Writer and Accountant on ~~Rs~~ 50 per mensem, and of a Kote ~~and~~ Pay Duffadar for each troop on ~~Rs~~ 40 per mensem, to keep the Regimental and Troop accounts respectively would, the Chief Commissioner thinks, be a change for the better.

7. The Makeeb is not of much use, and his appointment might be abolished. But a Farrier Major on ~~Rs~~ 30, and one or two Farriers per troop on ~~Rs~~ 26 would make a Regiment more efficient.

8. The establishment which the Chief Commissioner

for each Regiment is as follows.

1 Regimentdar	—	Rs 250
6 Resaldars @ 120 each		" 720
6 Jemadars @ 50 "		" 300
1 Surzufferdar or Woordie Major		" 60
30 Duffadars @ 35/- each		" 1,050
1 Standard Bearer	—	" 32
1 Trumpet Major	—	" 30
6 Trumpeters @ 26/- each		" 156
1 Kettle Drummer		" 26
312 Silladars viz:		
300 privates @ 26/- each		7,800
12 Lance Duffadars @ 28/-		336
1 Regimental Accountant		" 50
6 Note & pay Duffadars @ Rs 40 each		" 241
1 Farrier Major	—	" 30
12 Farriers @ 26/- each		312
1 Jhumda Duffadar	—	6
3 Jhumdawhallahs @ 5 each		15
389		Rs 11,413

9. The above scheme gives a troop Complement of 1 Resaldar, 1 Jemadar, 1 Note Duffar, 5 Duffadars

Sowars (2 of the latter being Lance
Duffadars); and a Regimental
Staff of 1 Regimentdar, 1 Woordie
Major, 1 Standard Bearer, 1 Trum
-pet Major, 1 Farrier Major, 1
Kettle Drummer, 1 Regimental
Accountant, 1 Thunda Duffada
and 3 Thundawallahs.

10. Excluding the Regimental
Accountant, and the 4 Thunda
-wallahs the total strength of
each Regiment should not exceed
384 men of all ranks.

11. A Regiment now costs
~~Rs~~ 10,624 per month: under the
proposed scheme it would cost
~~Rs~~ 11,413. But this increase of
~~Rs~~ 789 per mensem is in a
great part due to the appoint
-ment of the additional Sowars
to fill the places of the 12 Farriers
and of the 12 Lance Duffadars.
The pay of these Sowars @ ~~Rs~~ 26

Proceedings of the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, Military Department, 23rd March 1874.

From the Military Assistant to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, To the Offg. Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, General Dept., No. 687—Mily. 108, dated Camp Sukravar Sante, 15th November 1873.

In submitting the scheme called for in the 3rd paragraph of Government of Mysore Orde No. 2932—52, dated 2nd September 1873, for the grant of pensions to the Mysore Horse, I have th honor in the first instance to propose for the consideration of the Officiating Chief Commissioner certain alterations in the present regimental organization, which, while in some extent adopting that of the Hyderabad Contingent, to which Corps it is proposed to assimilate the pensions, would, I consider, tend towards promoting that higher standard of efficiency which the Offg. Chief Commissioner has desired.

2. While recommending these changes, I have endeavoured to retain, as far as is consistent with efficiency, the old organization of the Siledar Horse, and merely propose the abolition of certain of the existing grades which in the present day do not form necessary adjuncts to Regiments of Cavalry, and the establishment of other grades which will ensure the more correct fulfilment of the duties that will hereafter devolve upon the Siledars.

3. The accompanying table shews the present organization of a Regiment of Cavalry, Hyderabad Contingent, of the Mysore Horse, and of the proposed organization which latter involves the following changes.

I. The abolition of the post of Danka Navaz or kettle drummer.

II. The abolition of the post of Nishanbardar or standard bearer.

III. The amalgamation into the ranks of the six Mahaldars or mounted orderlies.

IV. The establishment of a junior grade of Commissioned Officer to be styled Jamadar, one Jamadar being allotted to each troop or Risala, or six in all.

V. The change of the designation of the Non-Commissioned rank from Jamadar to Daffedar.

VI. The appointment of a Trumpeter to each troop with a Trumpet Major.

4. The kettle drums are neither useful nor ornamental, and standards are rarely carried in Cavalry Regiments.

5. Troopers can do the work of orderlies, and the rank of orderly as a seperate grade appears unnecessary.

6. The Jamadars proposed to be established would take their share in the supervision of the duties of the Siledars. So long as the former system of leaving the Regiments with only their old native organization was continued, one officer was sufficient to each troop. Now, however, continual drill and numerous parades involve constant supervision over the stable management, the dress and accoutrements, the detailing of men for duty, &c., and is more than one man can perform. The appointment of a Jamadar to each troop, would moreover, be a stepping stone to the post of Risaldar, and would be the means of bringing forward the best men which it is now difficult to single out from the Non-Commissioned ranks.

7. The change in the designation of the Non-Commissioned rank involves no increased charge.

8. A Trumpeter to each troop is a necessity, more particularly as the Regiments are much scattered, and the Trumpet Major would be selected to supervise the duties of the troop trumpeters and to teach them the calls.

9. The accompanying table shews the increased charge of the proposed establishment over the present one to be Rs. 1,148—10—8 per Regiment, and the total saving on the reduction now ordered to be effected to be Rs. 28,425 per month.

10. The Government having decided to grant to the Mysore Horse pensions at the same rate as are now enjoyed by the Hyderabad Contingent, I have the honor to submit a statement shewing what the rates will be for each grade which I have proposed.

11. I also submit another statement shewing the rates which would be given if the Government deem it advisable to retain the present organization.

12. I anticipate that most of the officers and men over twenty years' service will now take their discharge on the superior pension offered, and that the total number who now apply for gratuity or discharge on pension will not fall far short of six hundred ; there will therefore be but few men transferred to the proposed pension establishment for some years to come.

Statement shewing the Scale of Pensions to be granted to the Mysore Siledar Horse on the proposed organization calculated at the same rates as the Hyderabad Contingent.

Rank.	Twenty years' service.	Forty years' service.	Remarks.
Regimentdar	50	80	
Risaldar	25	40	
Sarzafardar	15	24	
Jamadar	12	20	
Daffedar	5	8	
Zafardar	4	6	
Trumpet Major	5	8	
Trumpeters	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Siledar	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Sarpeshkar	6	9	
Peshkar	5	8	
Nakib	4	6	
Paidal Mahaldar, Jhanda Daffedar, Jhandawala	2	3	

Statement shewing the Scale of Pensions to be granted to the Mysore Siledar Horse on the present organization calculated at the same rates as the Hyderabad Contingent.

Rank.	Twenty years' service.	Forty years' service.	Remarks.
Regimentdar	50	80	
Risaldar	25	40	
Sarzafardar	15	24	
Jamadar	12	20	
Zafardar	4	6	
Trumpeter	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Dhanka Nawaz	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Nishanbardar	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Siledar	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Sarpeshkar	6	9	
Peshkar	5	8	
Nakib	4	6	
Mounted Mahaldar	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	
Paidal Mahaldar, Jhanda Daffedar, Jhandawala	2	3	

Statement shewing the present Organization of a Regiment of the Hyderabad Contingent, and of the Mysore Siledar Horse, and of the proposed Organization of a Regiment of the latter Force.

Present Organization of a Regiment of the Hyderabad Contingent fighting ranks.				Present Organization of a Regiment of the Mysore Siledar Horse.					Proposed Organization of a Regiment of the Mysore Siledar Horse.					Remarks.
No.	Rank.	Pay per men-sem.		No.	Rank.	Pay per men-sem.		Amount.	No.	Rank.	Pay per men-sem.		Amount.	
1	Risaldar Major ...	300 0 0		1	Regimentdar ...	... ...		250 0 0	1	Regimentdar ...	... ...		250 0 0	
6	Risaldars ...	150 0 0		6	Risaldars ...	120 0 0		720 0 0	6	Risaldars ...	120 0 0		720 0 0	
12	Jamadars ...	49 9 5		1	Sarzafardar ...	... ...		60 0 0	1	Sarzafardar ...	... ...		60 0 0	
48	Daffedars ...	41 5 2		30	Jamadars ...	35 0 0		1,050 0 0	6	Jamadars ...	42 0 0		252 0 0	
1	Trumpet Major ...	38 0 0		6	Zafardar ...	30 0 0		180 0 0	33	Daffedars ...	35 0 0		1,155 0 0	
6	Trumpeters. ...	30 0 0		2	Trumpeters ...	25 0 0		50 0 0	6	Zafardars ...	30 0 0		180 0 0	
500	Troopers ...	30 0 0		1	Dhanka Navaz ...	... ...		25 0 0	1	Trumpet Major ...	.. ..		32 0 0	
				1	Nishanbardar ...	... ...		26 0 0	6	Trumpeters ...	25 0 0		150 0 0	
				300	Siledars ...	26 0 0		7,800 0 0	333	Siledars ...	26 0 0		8,658 0 0	
				1	Sarpeshkar ...	... .		40 0 0	1	Sarpeshkar ...	.. ..		40 0 0	
				6	Peshkars ...	35 0 0		210 0 0	6	Peshkars ..	35 0 0		210 0 0	
				1	Nakib ...	... ...		28 0 0	1	Nakib ...	... ...		28 0 0	
				6	Mounted Mahaldars.	26 0 0		156 0 0	1	Jhanda Daffedar ...	... ...		6 0 0	
				1	Paidal Mahaldar ...	... ...		7 10 8	3	Jhandawalas ...	5 0 0		15 0 0	
				1	Jhanda Daffedar ...	... ...		6 0 0	1	Paidal Mahaldar ...	... ...		7 10 8	
				3	Jhandawalas ...	5 0 0		15 0 0						
									406				11,763 10 8	
					Total for one Regiment ...	... ...		10,623 10 8	1,219	For 3 Regiments ...	... ...		35,317 0 0	*A*
					Total for six Regiments ...	... ...		63,742 0 0		Monthly Saving ...	... ...		28,425 0 0	

	Rs.	A.	P.
Monthly pay of a Regiment on proposed organization, including $\frac{1}{3}$rd pay of a Siledar ...	11,772	5	4
Monthly pay of a Regiment on present organization	10,623	10	8
Excess Rs.....	1,148	10	8

A. Plus one Siledar's pay to complete the number to 1,000 as sanctioned by the Government of India.

No. 6968—Mily. 136, dated Bangalore, 23rd March 1874.

Order thereon.—Of the Military Assistant's proposals, the Chief Commissioner approves the following:—

I. The establishment of the Commissioned grade of Jamadar and the appointment of a Jamadar to each troop.

II. The change of designation of the Non-Commissioned grade of Jamadar to Daffedar.

III. The appointment of a Trumpeter to each Troop and of a Trumpet Major to each Regiment.

IV. The abolition of the grade of Mahaldar or orderly, the Mahaldars now in the service being absorbed into the ranks.

2. The abolition of the kettle drummers and standard bearers is not approved. The posts they fill are looked upon with favor by natives and should not be interfered with.

3. There seems no necessity for the retention of Zafardars or of the Paidal Mahaldar.

4. It will be enough to have 30 holders of the rank of Daffedar; one will thus be allowed for each Biradari, or five for each of the 6 troops of which a Regiment consists.

5. A certain number of Lance Daffedars on Rs. 2 per mensem might also be sanctioned. Two per troop would probably be enough.

6. In lieu of the Sarpeshkar and Peshkars, the appointment of a Regimental Writer and Accountant on Rs. 50 per mensem, and of a Kote and Pay Daffedar for each troop on Rs. 40 per mensem, to keep the Regimental and Troop accounts respectively would, the Chief Commissioner thinks, be a change for the better.

7. The Vakil is not of much use; and his appointment might be abolished. But a Farrier Major on Rs. 30 and one or two Farriers per troop on Rs. 26 would make a Regiment more efficient.

8. The establishment which the Chief Commissioner would accordingly propose for each Regiment is as follows:—

1	Regimentdar	... Rs. 150	312	Siledars, *viz.*,—	
6	Risaldars at Rs. 120 each...	... 720	300	Privates at Rs. 26 each ...	7,800
6	Jamadars at Rs. 50 ...	... 300	12	Lance Daffedars at Rs. 28 ..	... 336
1	Sarzafardar or Wurdi Major	... 60	1	Regimental Accountant ...	... 50
30	Daffeders at Rs. 35 each ...	... 1,050	6	Kote and Pay Daffedars at Rs. 40 each	... 240
1	Standard Bearer ...	... 32	1	Farrier Major	... 30
1	Trumpet Major ...	... 30	12	Farriers at Rs. 26 each ...	... 312
6	Trumpeters at Rs. 26 each	... 156	1	Jhanda Daffedar ...	... 6
1	Kettle Drummer ...	... 26	3	Jhandawalas at Rs. 5 each ...	... 15
			389		Rs. 11,413

9. The above scheme gives a troop complement of 1 Risaldar, 1 Jamadar, 1 Kote Daffedar, 5 Daffedars, 1 Trumpeter, 2 Farriers and 52 Sawars (2 of the latter being Lance Daffedars); and a Regimental staff of 1 Regimentdar, 1 Wurdi Major, 1 Standard Bearer, 1 Trumpet Major, 1 Farrier Major, 1 Kettle Drummer, 1 Regimental Accountant, 1 Jhanda Daffedar and 3 Jhandawalas.

10. Excluding the Regimental Accountant, and the 4 Jhandawalas, the total strength of each Regiment should not exceed 384 men of all ranks.

11. A Regiment now costs Rs. 10,624 per month; under the proposed scheme it would cost Rs. 11,413. But this increase of Rs. 789 per mensem is in great part due to

the appointment of the additional Sawars to fill the places of the 12 Farriers and of the 12 Lance Daffedars. The pay of these Sawars at Rs. 26 each amounts to Rs. 624. The net additional cost therefore which the new organization would involve is Rs. 165.

12. Major Stewart's report regarding the general result of the reductions and the number of men of all ranks left to form the three new Regiments, is now awaited. In sending it on, he should take the opportunity of stating any objections he may have to his re-organization scheme as amended by the Chief Commissioner.

13. A report will then be submitted to the Government of India, whose sanction to the new organization will be asked for.

H. W. WELLESLEY,
Offg. Secretary.

To—The Military Assistant. 5 spare copies

1874.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

MILITARY.

To

THE MILITARY ASSISTANT.

Dated March 23rd.
Despatched 7th April
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Re-organization of Siledars.—Amending proposals by Military Assistant.

1874.

From The Military Assistant to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore

To Secretary to Chief Commissioner,
General Department.

Dated. 15th April

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Subject.

Reports on the reorganization of the Mysore Silahdar Horse. —

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~~Military Assistant's Office~~

Bangalore 15th April 1874.

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From Military Assts. to the C.C.
Mysore

To
The Officiating Secretary
to the Chief Commissioner of
Mysore

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Sir,

I have the honor to submit a report on the result of the offer to the Mysore Silladar Horse of Pensions and Gratuities in view to a reduction of the Force to the strength of 1,000 Silladars, which measure was ordered by the Government of India in their Secretary's letter to your address dated 22d August 1873.—

2. The reductions were virtually completed on the 31st December 1873, up to which date the measure was in operation, but owing to the question of the future dis-

-tribution

tribution of out posts throughout the Province being still in abeyance, the final break up of three Regiments has not yet been effected..

3. The Non-Commissioned Officers and Towers of all the Regiments who elected for pension or gratuity have been discharged, but with the exception of those of the 4th Regiment who were discharged from 1st January, prior to the Regiment joining the Cause of Exercise, the Officers are still borne on the Effective list, and the Head Quarters of the Regiments still remain at the posts which they occupied before the commencement of the measure of reduction..

4. Until the question referred to in the second para has been finally disposed of, until the Officers who have elected for pension have been discharged, until their Regiments have been disembodied, and

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parade, and before the officiating Com-
Commissioner, I have ordered his discharg
and he has been granted half the gra
=tuity to which his service entitled him

9. Most of the officers asked
for the discharge of the Barghirs which
they owned, but I left this optional if
found the Barghir fit for service.—

10. The Regimentdars all asked
for the discharge of their Barghirs, a
it will hereafter be necessary to enlist
Nishanburdars, Dhunka Nawazs and
=peters for the three remaining Regim
in lieu of those discharged, these ranks
in accordance with an old established
custom the Barghirs of the Regimentdar

11. I did not disturb the Barghirs
of discharged officers and women (Crim
owner of the Dillaburee JP
widows or relations of discharged or decea
officers and men) unless the owners of
assamee wished it, or the Barghirs then

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that language is this
clear — I think
it is not another
English word
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were unfit for service. I shall hereafter reduce these undesirable appointments as opportunities offer.

2. On a personal inspection of the minors holding Assessors I found many who would never be fit for service, and some whose ages had been incorrectly registered or misrepresented. Thus I found more than one instance of the Assessor being registered of an age that would have made him eligible at the time of my inspection, and when he should have been fit to join the Rangers, while there appeared before me diminutive children of fourteen or less. In such cases I dealt with summarily, by discharge with gratuity. —

Statement No. III shows the number of Assessors dismissed the service as unfit, the number still on the Rolls, and the number of Barristers remaining in the service.

Amongst the Eligibles 355 were noted

* The number of Assessors

with the men I have first called for Rolls
of men and officers wishing pensions and
Gratuities, and have them personally i
inspected every man, and asked his i.
wishes or intention. It is difficult to ex
=plain the caprice which the men display
=ed or the inability they evinced to make
up their minds as to what step to take.
Many men asked for their discharge on
parade and the next morning sought
retention in the service. Some would change
their intention daily if permitted, and i.
many asked only for discharge in the i
hope of having their horses purchased.
on refusal of which they applied to i.
cancel their decision. In carrying out the
orders of Government I have throughout
endeavoured to be neither harsh nor partia
and in insisting on the retirement of feeb
=ly, unfit men I have erred if at all on th

side

side of economy. It has been necessary to
matter to deal with men so ignorant, so
capricious, and in some instances so ag-
gressive in their demands, and the task
of effecting so large a reduction has been
a most unpleasant one. It is probable
that some inefficient men still remain
in the ranks, but the drill and discipline
will shortly weed them out or turn
them into better soldiers.

9. Amongst the men who have
of late on record accepted gratuities,
some have done so to satisfy importunate
creditors, some because they are tired of ser-
vice, some to seek a change. Many of these
men are young and active, and I anticipate
some difficulty with them hereafter. They
have dissipated for a time, and when
their money is all squandered and the ser-
vice is once more open to recruits they will
probably

the Government of the Province, this is the first occasion on which a permanent reduction in the strength of the Silladar Horse of Mysore has been directly ordered, and that even with the liberal provision bestowed upon the discharged officers and men, no changes such as have lately been introduced could be effected without dis=turbing the minds of a large body of the men. The resolution of the Government to reduce the Silladars to 1,000 men has been published and accepted. If, on the ground of reorganization a further reduction were now made, it would, I fear, deprive the men of that assurance in their own future, and confidence in the Government which it is very desirable should not now be wanting.

24. I am therefore of a very strong opinion that the question of reorganizing the Regiments should be dealt with sepa=rately from that of the numbers of the Silladars,

Silladar which has already been decid-
ed by the Government of India.—

25. In corroboration of my views
on this point I would refer to the petition
of 23 Silladars to the address of the Vi-
ceroy of India, which was disposed of
in the Officiating Secretary's letter to the Ad-
dress of the Foreign Secretary dated 13th
January 1874, and which is the solitary in-
stance of discontent at the reduction in
which has manifested itself. The 9th para-
graph of this petition, more especially in
the 2d clause there of expresses sentiments to
which if universal I should very much de-
plore, and which in relation to the subject
under discussion appear in my humble opi-
nion to hold some significance.—

26. With regard to the Chief Commis-
sioner's proposition to employ a Risal-
dar per troop and to appoint a Regi-
mental writer in lieu of the Surpaisdear
and

No. V.

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= ments, I beg to submit a statement of the cost of a Regiment as proposed by me, cor = curring fully with the exceptions herein mentioned - in all the other points to which the Chief Commissioner's order refers; and in conclusion I crave permission to express my acknowledgment for the considera = tion shown to me by the Chief Commissio = er in so fully acceding to my scheme for reorganization. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

C. H. Morant Captain

For, Military Assistant

No. 1

Statement shewing the number of Men who have been discharged on Gratuity.

Rs 10

Rank	No.
Regimentdars	"
Resaldars	1
Sur. Jufferdars	"
Jufferdars	2
Jemadars	8
Trumpeters	12
Dhunkia Nowazs	6
Nishanburdars	6
Silladdars	355
Sur. Paishcars	"
Paishcars	2
Nakeebs	"
Mounted Mahuldars	7
Pydul Mahuldars	3
Jhundawallas	10
Total	412.

Bt. Lieutenant
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Military Assistt Office
Bangalore 15th April 1874

For Military Assistant

No II

Statement Shewing the number of Men who have been transferred to Pension.

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Rank.	No.
Regimentdars	6
Ressaldars	28
Surzufferdars	2
Zufferdars	4
Jemadars	77
Trumpeters	"
Dhunsta Nawaz	"
Nishanburdars	"
Silladdars	291
Sur-Paishcars	2
Paishcars	11
Nakeebs	3
Mounted Mahuldars	4
Total	428

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Buckshee
Military Assists Office
Bangalore 15th April 1874

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For Military Assistant

No. IV

Statement Shewing the Strength of the Regiments

1874.

Regiments	Regimentalors	Bearers	Sur. Assistants or Medical Surgeons	Lascars	Muscalees	Standard Bearers	Trumpet & Major	Trumpeters
1st Regiment	1	5	1	15	"	"	"	2
2nd Regiment	"	5	1	9	"	"	"	1
3rd Regiment	1	6	1	17	"	"	"	"
4th Regiment	"	1	1	22	"	"	"	2
5th Regiment	1	6	1	12	"	"	"	"
6th Regiment	1	6	1	13	"	"	"	"
Total	4	29	6	88	"	"	"	5
Officers and Men elected for Pension and Gratuity & will be transferred hereafter	4	23	2	"	"	"	"	"
Remaining	"	6	4	88	"	"	"	5
Proposed Establishment	3	18	3	18	90	3	3	18
Wanting to Complete as per new Organization	3	12	"	"	90	3	3	13
Supernumeraries	"	"	1	70	"	"	"	"

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of My care. Horse as it stood on the 1st April

Buffaloes	Bullocks	Sur Buffaloes	Cows	Farrier Majors	Farriers	Saddlers	Armourers Mahubdars	Syces Mahubdars	Grass Cutters	Grooms &c.	Total
4	171	1	5	"	"	"	4	1	"	2	212.
4	171	1	4	"	"	"	2	1	1	3	203.
5	167	1	6	"	"	1	3	1	1	3	213.
6	190	1	5	"	"	1	6	1	1	3	240
6	200	1	5	"	"	1	5	1	1	3	243
3	199	1	4	"	"	1	4	1	1	3	238
28	1098	6	29	"	"	4	24	6	5	17	1349
"	"	2	6	"	"	1	"	3	2	8	51
28	1098	4	23	"	"	3	24	3	3	9	1298.
"	1002 ×	3	18	3	36	"	"	3	3	9	1236
"	"	"	"	3	36	"	"	"	"	"	166
28	96	1	5	"	"	3	24	"	"	"	228.

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Chas Thorne Capt.
for Military Assistant

No V.

Statement shewing the Cost of the Proposed Jan'y 15
Organization of a Regiment of Mysore Silladar Horse

		Rupees
1	Regimentdar	250
6	Ressaldars at 120 Rs each	720
1	Sur-Tuffeedar or Wurdi Major	60
6	Jemadars at Rupees 50 each	300
30	Duffadars at Rupees 35 each	1050
1	Standard Bearer	32
1	Trumpet Major	30
6	Trumpeters at Rupees 26 each	156
1	Kettle Drummer	26
	334 Silladars viz:	
322	Silladars at Rupees 26 each	8372
12	Lance Duffadars at Rupees 28 each	336
1	Sur-Paishcar	40
6	Paishcars at Rupees 35 each	210
1	Farrier Major	30
12	Farriers at Rupees 26 each	312
1	Pydul Mahmudar	7
1	Jhunda Duffadar	6
3	Jhunduwallas at Rupees 5 each	15
412	Rupees	11952

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Bangalore 15th April 1871.

Vencatachar
Buckshee for Military Assistant

C. H. Mozay Capt

VI

Statement shewing —

(1) Total annual charge for the force according to the full authorized strength before the reductions		(2) Aggregate amount of Gratuities paid or payable to men who have elected for discharge.			(3) Aggregate annual charge for pensions for men who have elected for transfer to the Pension List.			Remarks.
7,64,904	—	—	85,104	11	8	56,452	—	—	Provision is made in the amounts inscribed for Gratuities and pensions for those Officers and men who will be discharged after the redistribution of the Force.

Military Hospitals Office, Westward Ho! Major, Commanding
Bangalore 21st April 1874. Military Hospital 1st Battalion

No. [illegible]

Statement shewing the strength of the 6 Regiments of Mysore Horse as it stood on the 1st September 1874, with the Established complement of the Force as then authorized

Regimental Lines	Resaldars	Jussadfs	Jemadars	Kendoodars	Trumpeters	Khanda Nawgees	Naikaubundars	Sillidars	Saises	Farriers	Saddlers	Armourers Mashkeedars	Hydrs Mashkeedars	Hummals	
6	34	6	36	176	11	6	6	1754	6	36	6	36	6	24	Strength on 1st Sept.
6	36	6	36	180	12	6	6	1,800	6	36	6	36	6	34	Established complement on 1st Sept.

Military Assistants' Office
Bangalore 21st April 1874

W Stewart Major
Military Assistant

[illegible] Venkatachar
Buckshee

Military Appts Letter No 48/12 dy 15th April 1874.

No 685/M 11 dy 24 April 1874.

In the above letter the Bridy Officer reported
1. The result of the reduction of the Sikhdar Force
12) Sikhdars to the modification of his proposal
organization of the Police Dept, by which the
Force is to consist in future, though demanded
by the Chief Com.r, as stated in the order on
his previous letter No 6960 Bridy. 1867 dy 23rd Oct.
2. The question of the future distribution of
Sikhdars Outposts throughout the province
deprived to in Paras 2 & 5 has been already
disposed of under the Orders dy 11th inst. No.
201/May 2, and the promotions recommended
to fill up vacancies caused by discharges
amongst the Officers of the Police Dept
- ised Complement, can therefore be con-
submitted without delay. -
3. The Statement forwarded by the Bridy Off.
- d No
Grades. Aggregate Discharged under reduction Scheme Remaining Strength on 1st Jany/74 by results of
Establishment on Pension Gratuity Total under reduction
prior to reduction

Rajmundars	6	6	-	6	"	the increase
Rasaldars	36	28	1	29	6	of reduction
Sar Jaffurdars	6	2	-	2	4	under 12 para
Jaffurdars	36	4	2	6	28	and shows the
Jemadars	180	77	8	85	88	cost of the re-
Nishanburdars	6	-	6	6	"	-trenched com-
Trumpeters	12	-	12	12	5	-plement of
Kettle Drummers	6	-	6	6	"	-Sikhdars & of
Sikhdars & Sowars	1800	291	355	646	1098	2202 of all
Sar Deshkars	6	2	-	2	4	Grades of the
Deshkars	36	11	2	13	23	2130 there of
Trackers	6	3	-	3	3	-fective on 1st
Mounted Mukuldars	36	4	7	11	24	Sept 1873 - 36
Foot Sept Mukuldars	6	-	3	3	3	Officers & 392 Men
Jhunda Baffs }	24	-	10	10	12	of all Grades
Jhunda Sowars }						have accepted the
Total	2202	428	412	840	1298	

Total authorised annual charge of Force previous to reduction - Rs 764094
Total annual amount of pensions consequent on reduction - Rs 56452
Total amount of gratuities do. do. Rs 85105

Rangers, and 1 Officer and 411 men the Establishment appointed to them, and that 10 Officers and 1200 men of all grades be retained on the Roll on 1st January 1874.-

The Charge that has been incurred in disbanding the surplus and has been 11 Annual pensions Rs. 5645-12-0 Cash Gratuities Rs 85.105.-4- will be repaid to the Imperial Government as noticed in paras 9 to 13 of the Military Appropriation Account.

The discharged Officers were chiefly at liberty to claim the discharge of the horses ridden by their Rangers, of which two chose, and in all cases in which they exercised this right the Rangers must themselves have been discharged with the horses.-

The causes taken as regards the Native Ranks of Rangers recruited in these cases is approved.-

5- The numbers of men of all grades as above remaining on the Rolls on 1st January 1874, included 10 Officers, 116 Non Com. Officers, and 1090 Rangers.-

The Complement of Officers and Non-Com. Officers for these Reg.ts under the old organization would be 24 of the former and 111 of the latter, counting the Subahdars as Non Com. Officers. As that the proportion of 9 Rangers with be required to complete the number of both Classes of that complement.-

Detail	Horse Regt	Horse Regts
Officers		
Regimentdars	1	3
Risaldars	6	18
Rissildar Jemadars	1	3
Total Officers		24
Non-Com. Officers		
Jemadars	6	18
Duffadars	30	90
Nishanburdars	1	3
Total Non Com. Officers		111

This will leave 89 Supernumerary Rangers in excess of the total strength under the new organization, which are proposed by the Govt. of India.-

6. These results appear to the Chief Com. S. to be as complete & satisfactory as could have been fairly looked for, & it is gratifying to him to know that as a general rule the men of subordinate discharge had that all the Sowars of approx. of 20 years' service, who have remained on the Rolls, are efficient men.

7. The observations in paras 20 to 24 and 25 of the Govt. Offg. Report contain allusions which appear to call for a brief notice here.

(1) The petition addressed to H.E. the V. & G.G. by certain men of the 5th Regt. at Mysore & Kaira &c. is described in para 25 as "the petition in terms of discontent at the reduction that has manifested itself" — but a simple appeal against any reduction whatever being made in the force, and not apparently prepared before the terms on which the measure was to be carried out were clearly understood by the petitioners — The petition was duly considered and dealt with, with the approval of the Govt. of India, and it is therefore unnecessary to refer to it further here.

(2) The Chief Com. S. is aware that there was at first some misconception amongst the men as to the scope of the proposed reductions and the mode in which they were to be carried out but this could hardly and ought not to have been the case after the issue of the order noted in the margin, in which it was clearly stated that no efficient officer or soldier, desirous of remaining in the service should be discharged in connection with the reduction — and that compulsory discharge would only extend to worn out and unfit men —

No 3377 dated 6th Sept 1873.

been dealt with authority to discharge men of the latter description summarily and without either pension or gratuity, and has exercised that authority freely, the measure under report has really been a great boon to such men, of whom there are notoriously a large number in the Force, and the Ship[illegible] cannot doubt that much of the difficulty described in para 10 has really due to the details of the measure not having been generally thoroughly understood.—

31 As regards the point mentioned in para 20, the reduction could hardly be otherwise than distasteful, in some respects, to certain classes connected with the Force, but there is no ground for the belief that this feeling extends beyond those classes, and it may be noticed as significantly bearing on this subject, that the measure has been little thought of for late years, and that the Chiefs of Candidates for Employment is not known notoriously a very distasteful one or both as limited in numbers.—

I should wish only to add to these remarks the expression of his confident assurance that the results of the measure under review and the proposed reorganization of the Force will cause the Force and Establishment of the Service, finds fixed at a reduced in the estimates of the present kind of the Civilian Branches, which it has not suspected for a very long period.—

P. The foregoing observations deal with that part of the Civil Report, which refers to the

9 – With regard to the remarks in paras 21 to 31 on the future organisation of the Regts composing the force the Chief Comt observes as follows: –

11) If it is deemed desirable to increase the existing proportion of Comd & Non Comd Officers in such Regts in reorganising the force, there can in his opinion be no valid reason, in what is urged, why a corresponding reduction should not be made in the number of Sowars – The Daily Asst appears to have forgotten in his opening remark in para 23, that one Regt of Silladars was reduced so lately as 1867, and the views expressed in this para, in connection with the above points, appear to be already to be somewhat over drawn –

12) The substitution of a Regtl Orderly and Accountant and a Rissaldar as Pay Daffadar per Troop in such Regts for the present two Resheas & Peshcars who perform the work done by the former Clerks in British Regts was suggested in consequence of a remark of the Daily Asst ~~Examiner~~ that the present arrangements on this head were objectionable and productive of intrigue, the Peshcars regarding themselves as subordinate to the Central Office and not to the Commanders of Regts – The suggested change has some obvious advantages in the interests of the force, and may perhaps be considered at some future time, but, under the circumstances stated, the Chief Commr has no wish to press its adoption now – It will, however, be proper to make the Peshcars in each Regt under subordinate to the Regimental who should, under the new organisation, be recognised as the Head of his Regt in all respects, and be held responsible for everything connected with it –

13) The retention of one Regtl Foot Rissaldar or Orderly in each Regt may be provided for in the reorganisation – The word "retired" in

The Order referred to, was a Requisition for Statistics of cases of persons discharged in carrying out the new organization who be entitled to pensions or gratuities on the scale sanctioned for the reductions.

10. The following Statement shows the strength of each Dept. under the existing organization and that proposed in the Order of 28th ult. modified to accord with the views of the Govt. of India as conveyed in the Secretary of State's Despatch No. 1 of 1871 dated 10th January 1871 - The Increase in Cost of the proposed Establishment over the present Establishment is Rupees 3,56,376 per annum.

Detail	Establishment Complement				Monthly Charge per Dept.			
	Present		Proposed		Present		Proposed	
	No. of Men in Dept.	No. of Horses in Dept.	No. of Men in Dept.	No. of Horses in Dept.	Pay of each Grade	Total Pay of each Grade	Pay of each Grade	Total Pay of each Grade
	2	3	4	5	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	9
Regimental Officers	1	3	1	3	250	250	250	250
Resaldars	6	18	6	18	120	720	120	720
Jemadars	-	-	6	18	-	-	50	300
Sub Jemadars	1	3	1	3	60	60	60	60
Jemadars	30	90	2	-	35	1050	-	-
Subadars	6	18	36	108	30	180	35	1260
Sub Subadars	1	3	1	3	26	26	32	32
Trumpet Majors	-	-	1	3	-	-	30	30
Trumpeters	2	6	6	18	25	50	26	156
Kettle Drummers	1	3	1	3	25	25	26	26
Sowars	300	900	330	990	26	7800	26	8580
Farrier Majors	-	-	1	3	-	-	30	30
Farriers	-	-	6	18	-	-	26	156
Mounted Rakhal	6	18	-	-	26	156	-	-
Foot Rakhaldars	1	3	1	3	7.10.8	7.10.8	7.10.8	7.10.8
Saw Peskars	1	3	1	3	40	40	40	40
Peskars	6	18	6	18	35	210	35	210
Saheebs	1	3	-	-	28	28	-	-
Mundee Dosseh	1	3	1	3	6	6	6	6
Mundee Wahes	3	9	3	9	5	15	5	15
Total	367	1101	408	1224	—	10623.14.8	—	11878.10.8
Allowance for Followers						1062		1187
Or Total Charge						11685.14.8		13065.10.8

II. The changes in the proposed as contrasted with the existing complement, as entered in this table are as follows:-

I. The establishment of the Commissioned grade of Jemadar and the appointment of a Jemadar to each Troop.

II. The abolition of the Non Com.d grade of Jemadar, and the adoption of the designation of Duffadar for the Non Com.d grade of this Class. There are presently 5 Jemadars on Rs 35 and 1 Duffadar on Rs 30 per mensem in each Troop. It is now proposed to substitute for these 6 Duffadars, six Duffadars on Rs 35 per mensem each.

III The Nishanbardar has presently a Ranger of Rs Regimentals on Rs per mensem. It is proposed to make him a Non Com.d Officer on Rs 32 per mensem, ranking as the senior Duffadar.

IV. There is no Trumpet Major under the present organization. It is proposed to have one for each Regt. on Rs 30 per mensem.

V. ~~There are~~ Only two Trumpeters on Rs 25 each are maintained in each Regt. It is proposed to increase the number to one per Troop, or 6 per Regt. on Rs 26, the same pay as a Sowar, each per mensem.

VI. It is proposed to increase the pay of the Kettle Drummer of whom there is one in each Regt., from Rs 25 to Rs 26 per mensem.

VII. The Established complement of Sowars per Regt was 300. It is proposed to fix it at 330 as 55 per Troop, at the rate of 2 per Jawab Regt, with a Jemadar Duffadar, Dewan and addition of Rs 2 per mensem to the Sowars pay.

VIII. There is no Trumpet Establishment under the present organization. It is proposed to have a Trumpet Major on Rs 30. per mensem and one Farrier on Rs 26 per mensem for each Regt, as each Troop, as six per Regt.

IX. There are 4 mounted Bands of Musicians at Rs 26 per mensem each, i.e. each Regt. It is proposed to abolish the Band allowance, there being no special employment for these men.

X. One Naikeb in each Regt. on Rs 20 per mensem is included in the Existing organization. It is proposed to abolish the post, the duties of this Class being no longer Required.

The effect of these changes will be to raise the approved complement of each Regt, of all grades & Classes, from 367 under the old organization to 408 under that proposed, the monthly cost being similarly increased from Rs. 10623.10.0 to Rs. 11902.10.0. This amount, however, includes 30 Sowars whose pay is proposed at Rs. 780 per mensem and if these be omitted, the increased daily amount

Proceedings of the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, Military Department, 24th April 1874.

From the Military Assistant to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, To the Offg. Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, General No. 48—Military 12, dated Bangalore, 15th April 1874.

I have the honor to submit a report on the result of the offer to the Mysore Siledar Horse of pensions and gratuities in view to a reduction of the Force to the strength of 1,000 Siledars, which measure was ordered by the Government of India in their Secretary's letter to your address dated 22nd August 1873.

2. The reductions were virtually completed on the 31st December 1873, up to which date the measure was in operation ; but owing to the question of the future distribution of out-posts throughout the Province being still in abeyance, the final break up of three Regiments has not yet been effected.

3. The Non-Commissioned Officers and Sowars of all the Regiments who elected for pension or gratuity have been discharged ; but with the exception of those of the 4th Regiment, who were discharged from 1st January prior to the Regiment joining the Camp of Exercise, the officers are still borne on the effective list, and the Head Quarters of the Regiments still remain at the posts which they occupied before the commencement of the measure of reduction.

4. Until the question referred to in the second para has been finally disposed of, until the officers who have elected for pension have been discharged, until their Regiments have been disembodied, and the men now belonging to them distributed amongst the three Regiments which for the future will constitute the strength of the Mysore Horse, the reduction cannot be said to be finally completed. As soon as I receive the orders of the Chief Commissioner on the question of the future distribution of the Force, I shall be prepared to issue such subsidiary orders as shall finally dispose of the measures referred to in the preceding paragraphs.

5. I have delayed the submission of this report in hope of being able to communicate the final termination of the reduction, and at the same time I should have wished to submit my recommendations for promotions in lieu of the discharged officers.

6. This I shall now do at a later period, and I shall in this report confine my remarks to what has been effected up to date, and to certain proposals which I shall have the honor to make with reference to the future efficiency of the remaining Regiments.

7. The statements* which accompany this letter shew the numbers which have accepted gratuity and pension. These in round numbers include 412 officers and men for gratuity, and 428 who have accepted pension.

*Nos. I, II.

8. Amongst the officers, all six Regimentdars have accepted pension, and out of 35 Risaldars only 6 remain in the service. With one exception all these officers are over 20 years' service, and many of them have reached extreme old age. Risaldar Rajit Sing, the single officer of short service, had so impaired his constitution by opium-eating as to be quite unfit for service. Having further disgraced himself on inspection parade, and before the Officiating Chief Commissioner, I have ordered his discharge, and he has been granted half the gratuity to which his service entitled him.

9. Most of the officers asked for the discharge of the Bargirs which they owned, but I left this optional if I found the Bargir fit for service.

10. The Regimentdars all asked for the discharge of their Bargirs, and it will hereafter be necessary to enlist Nishanbardars, Dhanka Nawazs and Trumpeters for the three remaining Regiments in lieu of those discharged, these ranks being in accordance with an old established custom the Bargirs of the Regimentdars.

11. I did not disturb the Bargirs of discharged officers and women (being widows or relations of discharged or deceased officers and men) unless the owners of the *Asami* wished it, or the Bargirs themselves were unfit for service. I shall hereafter reduce these undesirable appointments as opportunities offer.

12. On a personal inspection of the minors holding *Asami*, I found many who would never be fit for service, and some whose ages had been incorrectly registered or misrepresented. Thus I found more than one instance of the **Malik* being registered of an age that would have made him eighteen at the time of my inspection, and when he should have been fit to join the ranks; while there appeared before me a diminutive child of fourteen or less. Such cases I dealt with summarily by discharge with gratuity.

*The owner of the *Asami*.

13. Statement No. III shews the number of *Malik*s dismissed the service as unfit, the number tills on the rolls, and the number of Bargirs remaining in the service.

14. Amongst the Siledars, 355 men asked discharge on gratuity, and 291 took the pension of their service. Most of the men over twenty years service preferred pension, but in a few isolated cases men have asked for gratuity in lieu thereof and received it.

15. Nearly all the men entitled to pension have taken their discharge ; but, as a general rule, the men of soldierlike-bearing have not left the service. In instances where all the members of a family have taken their discharge, some good men have gone; but those of short service, who have taken gratuity, are generally of inferior stamp.

16. Of the officers and men who remain in the service, 51 have reached a service of 20 years and upwards, and have not sought pension or gratuity ; of these, 25 are Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers who, by remaining in the service, look to speedy promotion. Of the 24 Siledars I do not think there are any but efficient men.

17. From the statement No. IV, which accompanies this, it will be observed that the total of all ranks remaining in the service is 1,298 ; excluding from this number the non-combatants, and giving credit for the promotions which will now be made in lieu of the discharged officers, there will remain a total of 1,098 Siledars or 90 above the strength to which the Government has reduced the Force. This will I trust be deemed a satisfactory acknowledgment of the success of the measure which the Government has had in view.

18. I should fail in my duty if I closed this portion of my report without alluding to the mode in which I have dealt with, and the temper with which the Force has accepted this reduction. In dealing with the men I have first called for rolls of men and officers wishing pensions and gratuities, and have then personally inspected every man, and asked his wishes or intention. It is difficult to explain the caprice which the men displayed or the inability they evinced to make up their minds as to what step to take. Many men asked for their discharge on parade, and the next morning sought retention in the service. Some would change their intention daily if permitted, and many asked only for discharge in the hope of having their horses purchased ; on refusal of which they applied to cancel their decision. In carrying out the orders of Government, I have throughout endeavoured to be neither harsh nor partial, and in insisting on the retirement of palpably unfit men, I have erred if at all on the side of leniency. It has been no easy matter to deal with men so ignorant, so capricious, and in some instances so aggressive in their demands, and the task of effecting so large a reduction has been to me a most unpleasant one. It is probable that some inefficient men still remain in the ranks, but the drill and discipline will, I hope, soon weed them out, or turn them into better soldiers.

19. Amongst the men who have of their own accord accepted gratuities, some have done so to satisfy importunate creditors ; some because they are tired of service ; some to seek a change. Many of these men are young and active, and I anticipate some difficulty with them hereafter. They have disappeared for a time, andwhen their money is all squandered, and the service is once more open to recruits, they will probably reappear to be hangers-on upon the charity of their relations in the service, clamorous for re-enlistment, and a continual element of discord in Regimental lines.

20. The pensions granted to the Siledars, which neither they or their forefathers ever hitherto enjoyed, are on a liberal scale. This however does not alter the fact, of which the Government of India is possibly as well aware as I am, that the reduction of an ancient establishment such as the Mysore Cavalry, in which the members of many of the oldest families in the Province hoped for service and subsistance, is not looked upon with favor.

21. I now beg permission to offer a few observations upon the reorganization scheme which was submitted by me in my letter No. 687—108 of the 15th November 1873, and amended by the Chief Commissioner in his Order No. 6968—136 of the 23rd March 1874, in the 12th paragraph of which order I am favored with an opportunity of stating any objections to the amendment.

22. I observe that the Chief Commissioner proposes a total of 312 Siledars including 12 Lance Daffadars to each of the remaining Regiments, or a total of 936 in all. . I respectfully submit that, while it may be desirable in the cause of efficiency to increase the number of the Commissioned and Non-Commissioned ranks, and to add to the present establishment the grades of Farriers and Trumpeters, I think it would be extremely inexpedient to make a further reduction of Siledars beyond that now ordered by the Government of India.

23. I think it to be worthy of remembrance that, since the assumption of the Government of the Province, this is the first occasion on which a permanent reduction in the strength of the Siledar Horse of Mysore has been directly ordered, and that even with the liberal provision bestowed upon the discharged officers and men, no changes such as have lately been introduced could be effected without disturbing the minds of a large body of the men. The Resolution of the Government to reduce the Siledars to 1,000 men has been published and accepted. If, on the ground of reorganization, a further reduction were now made, it would, I fear, deprive the men of that assurance in their own future, and confidence in the Government which it is very desirable should not now be wanting.

24. I am therefore of a very strong opinion that the question of reorganizing the Regiments should be dealt with separately from that of the numbers of Siledars, which has already been decided by the Government of India.

25. In corroboration of my views on this point, I would refer to the petitions of 233 Siledars to the address of the Viceroy of India, which was disposed of in the Offg. Secretary's *letter to the address of the Foreign Secretary, dated 13th January 1874, and which is the solitary instance of discontent at the reduction which has manifested itself. The 9th paragraph of this petition, more especially the 2nd clause thereof, expresses sentiments which, if universal, I should very much deplore, and which in relation to the subject under discussion appear in my humble opinion to hold some significance.

*No. 5687—158.

26. With regard to the Chief Commissioner's proposition to employ a Kote Daffedar per Troop and to appoint a Regimental Writer in lieu of the Sarpeshkar and Peshkars, I am of opinion that the present arrangement is the preferable. But very few of the men who enter the Siledar Horse have received an education that would fit them for such duties as Troop Writers, and the introduction of a new system with imperfect material would in my opinion be undesirable.

27. With European supervision, and at Head Quarters, where the abilities of individual men could be ascertained, the proposed arrangement would be a better one; but in so scattered a Force as this, where the books are only subjected to an annual inspection, and there is no intermediate control over them, an unfortunate selection of Kote Daffedars might lead to a disastrous muddling of accounts.

28. The present arrangement works well. The Peshkars are men whose relations have served the Mysore State in this capacity only for many generations, and are worthy of its protection still. Further I am myself loathe to recommend the introduction of any change in which I cannot foresee a direct advantage.

29. I think that the Paidal Mahaldar might be retained. He is the peon or orderly of the Regimentdar, and the position of the latter appears to entitle him to such an appendage.

30. In paragraph 7 of the order under reference, I read "Vakil" for "Nakib," and concur in the desirability of abolishing the post. I trust that gratuities and pensions will be granted to all grades which it is now contemplated to dispense with.

31. Having taken advantage of the permission given me of expressing my views on the Chief Commissioner's amendments, I beg to submit a *statement of the cost of a Regiment as proposed by me, concurring fully, with the exceptions herein mentioned, in all the other points to which the Chief Commissioner's order refers; and in conclusion I crave permission to express my acknowledgment for the consideration shewn to me by the Chief Commissioner in so fully acceding to my scheme for reorganization.

*No. V.

No. I.—Statement shewing the Number of Men who have been discharged on Gratuity.

Rank.	No.
Regimentdars	...
Risaldars	1
Sarzafardars	...
Zafardars	2
Jamadars	8
Trumpeters	12
Dhanka Nawazs	6
Nishanbardars	6
Siledars	355
Sarpeshkars	...
Peshkars	2
Nakibs	...
Mounted Mahaldars	7
Paidal Mahaldars	3
Jhandawalas	10
Total.....	412

No. II.—Statement shewing the Number of Men who have been transferred to Pension.

Rank.	No.
Regimentdars	6
Risaldars	8
Sarzafardars	2
Zafardars	4
Jamadars	77
Trumpeters	...
Dhanka Nawazs	...
Nishanbardars	...
Siledars	291
Sarpeshkars	2
Peshkars	11
Nakibs	3
Mounted Mahaldars	4
Total.....	428

No. III.—Statement shewing the Number of *Maliks* dismissed the service and the Number of *Maliks* and Bargirs remaining in the service.

	Regiments.						Total.
	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	5th.	6th.	
Maliks dismissed on gratuity being unfit for service	1	2	3	4	3	12	30
Maliks retained in the service	20	12	22	6	28	18	106
Bargirs belonging to the widows of late Officers	3	4	...	1	1	1	10
Bargirs belonging to the Officers, &c., who are not in the service ...	1	1	1	6	4	5	18
Bargirs of the Officers who are now in the service	...	...	1	1	3	1	6

No. IV.—Statement shewing the Strength of the Regiments of Mysore Horse as it stood on the 1st April 1874.

Regiments.	Regimentdars.	Risaldars.	Sarzafardars or Wurdi Major.	Jemadars.	Daffedars.	Standard Bearers	Trumpet Majors.	Trumpeters.	Kettle Drummers.	Zafardars.	Siledars.	Sarpeshkars.	Peshkars.	Farrier Majors.	Farriers.	Nakibs.	Mounted Mahaldars.	Paidal Mahaldars.	Jhanda Daffedars.	Jhandawalas.	Total.
1st Regiment	1	5	1	15	...	...	...	2	...	4	171	1	5	...	...	...	4	1	...	2	212
2nd Regiment	...	5	1	9	...	..	...	1	...	4	171	1	4	...	...	...	2	1	1	3	203
3rd Regiment	1	6	1	17	...	...	...	...	...	5	167	1	6	..	...	1	3	1	1	3	213
4th Regiment	...	1	1	22	...	...	...	2	...	6	190	1	5	...	...	1	6	1	1	3	240
5th Regiment	1	6	1	12	...	...	...	..	...	6	200	1	5	...	..	1	5	1	1	3	243
6th Regiment	1	6	1	13	..	...	...	...	...	3	199	1	4	...	...	1	4	1	1	3	238
Total.....	4	29	6	88	...	..	...	5	...	28	1,098	6	29	...	...	4	24	6	5	17	1,349
Officers and men elected for pension and gratuity and will be transferred hereafter...	4	23	2	...	..	...	..	...	..	...	...	2	6	...	...	1	...	3	2	8	51
Remaining	...	6	4	88	...	...	...	5	...	28	1,098	4	23	...	..	3	24	3	3	9	1,298
Proposed Establishment ...	3	18	3	18	90	3	3	18	3	...	*1,002	3	18	3	36	...	...	3	3	9	1,236
Wanting to complete as per new organization	3	12	...	...	90	3	3	13	3	...	...	...	...	3	36	...	...	...	...	...	166
Supernumerari es...			1	70	...	...	...	...	...	28	96	1	5	...	...	3	24	...	...	...	228

*Inclusive of 36 Lance Daffedars.

No. V.—Statement shewing the Cost of the proposed Organization of a Regiment of Mysore Siledar Horse.

		Rs.
1	Regimentdar	250
6	Risaldars at 120 Rupees each	720
1	Sarzafardar or Wurdi Major	60
6	Jamadars at Rupees 50 each	300
30	Daffedars at Rupees 35 each	1,050
1	Standard Bearer	32
1	Trumpet Major	30
6	Trumpeters at Rupees 26 each	156
1	Kettle Drummer	26
	334 *Siledars, viz*:—	
322	Siledars at Rupees 26 each	8,372
12	Lance Daffedars at Rupees 28 each	336
1	Sarpeshkar	40
6	Peshkars at Rupees 35 each	210
1	Farrier Major	30
12	Farriers at Rupees 26 each	312
1	Paidal Mahaldar	7
1	Jhanda Daffedar	6
3	Jhandawallas at Rupees 5 each	15
412	Rupees.....	11,952

No. VI.—Statement shewing —

(1) Total Annual Charge for the Force according to the full authorized strength before the reduction.			(2) Aggregate Amount of Gratuities paid or payable to men who have elected for discharge.			(3) Aggregate Annual Charge for Pensions for men who have elected for transfer to the Pension List.			REMARKS.
7,64,904	...	...	85,104	14	8	56,452	...	...	Provision is made in the amounts inserted for gratuities and pensions for those officers and men who will be discharged after the redistribution of the Force.

No. VII—Statement shewing the Strength of the six Regiments of Mysore Horse as it stood on the 1st September 1873, with the established complement of the Force as then authorized.

Regimentdars.	Risaldars.	Sarzafardars.	Zafardars.	Jamadars.	Trumpeters.	Dhanka Nawazs.	Nishanbardars.	Siledars.	Sarpeshkars.	Pehksars.	Nakibs.	Mounted Mahaldars.	Paidal Mahaldars.	Jhandawalas.	
6	34	6	36	176	11	6	6	1,755	6	36	6	36	6	24	Strength on 1st September 1873.
6	36	6	36	180	12	6	6	1,800	6	36	6	36	6	24	Established Complement on 1st September 1873.

No. 685—MILY. 11, DATED BANGALORE, 24TH APRIL 1874.

ORDER THEREON.—In the above letter the Military Assistant (1) reports the result of the reduction of the Siledar Force, and (2) replies to the modifications of his proposed organization of the three Regiments, of which the Force is to consist in future, thought desirable by the Chief Commissioner, as stated in the order on his previous letter No. 6968—Military 136, dated 23rd ultimo.

2. The question of the future distribution of siledar out-posts throughout the Province, referred to in paras 2 to 5, has been already disposed of under the order dated 11th instant, No. 201—Military 2, and the promotions recommended to fill up vacancies, caused by discharges amongst the officers up to the authorized complement for three Regiments, can therefore be now submitted without delay.

3. The statements furnished by the Military Assistant give the following results of the measure of reduction under report, and shew that out of the authorized complement of 2,202 of all grades-of whom, 2,138 were effective on 1st September 1873, thirty-six officers and 392 men of all grades have accepted the pensions, and one officer and 411 men the gratuities offered to them; and that ten officers and 1,288 men of all grades remained on the Rolls on 1st January 1874.

	Detail of Grades.	Aggregate established complement prior to reduction.	Discharged under reduction scheme. On Pension.	On Gratuity.	Total.	Remaining on Roll on 1st January 1874.
1	Regimentdars. ...	6	6	...	6	...
2	Risaldars ...	36	28	1	29	6
3	Sarzafardars ...	6	2	...	2	4
4	Zafardars ...	36	4	2	6	28
5	Jemadars ...	180	77	8	85	88
6	Nishanbardars ...	6	...	6	3	...
7	Trumpeters ...	12	...	12	12	5
8	Kettle drummers ...	6	...	6	6	...
9	Savars ...	1,800	291	355	646	1,098
10	Sarpeshkars ...	6	2	...	2	4
11	Peshkars ...	36	11	2	13	23
12	Nakibs ...	6	3	...	3	3
13	Mounted Mahaldars.	36	4	7	11	24
14	Foot Mahaldars ...	6	...	3	3	3
15	Jhanda Daffedars	24	...	10	10	12
16	Jhandawalas					
	Total. ...	2202	428	412	840	1,298

Total authorized annual charge of Force previous to reduction		Rs. 7,64,094
Total annual amount of pensions consequent on reduction....	...	,, 56,452
Total amount of gratuities.	... ...	,, 85,105

The charge that has been incurred in carrying the measure out has been (1) annual pensions Rs. 56,452, and (2) cash gratuities Rs. 85,105.

4. With regard to the several points noticed in paras 9 to 13 of the Military Assistant's letter, the discharged Officers were clearly at liberty to claim the discharge of the horses ridden by their Bargirs, of whatever class, and in all cases in which they exercised this right, the Bargirs must of course have been discharged with the horses.

The course taken as regards the several classes of Bargirs, described in these paras, is approved.

5. The number of men of all grades as above, remaining on the Rolls on 1st January 1874, included ten Officers, 116 Non-Commissioned Officers, and 1098 Savars. The complement of Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers for three Regiments under the old organization would be * 24 of the former and †111 of the latter counting the Nishanbardars as Non-Commissioned Officers, so that the promotion of 9 Savars will be required to complete the number of both classes to that complement. This will leave 89 supernumerary Savars in excess of the total strength, under the new organization, ordered by the Government of India.

Details.	For one Regiment	Three Regiments
Officers.		
Regimentdar	1	3
Resaldar	6	18
Sarzafardars	1	3
Total Officers... ...		*24
Non-Commissioned.		
Zafardars	6	18
Jamadar	30	90
Nishanbardars	1	3
Total Non-Commissioned.....		†111

6. These results appear to the Chief Commissioner to be as complete and satisfactory as could have been fairly looked for, and it is gratifying to him to learn that, as a general rule, the men of soldier-like bearing have not taken their discharge, and that all the Savars of upwards of 20 years' service, who have remained on the Rolls, are efficient men.

7. The observations in paras 18 to 20 and 25 of the Military Assistant's report, contain allusions which appear to call for a brief notice here.

(1.) The petition addressed to His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General by certain men of the 5th Regiment at Mysore and Hassan, which is described in para 25, as "the solitary instance of discontent at the reduction that has manifested itself" was a simple appeal against *any reduction whatever* being made in the Force, and was apparently preferred before the terms on which the measure was to be carried out, were clearly understood by the petitioners. The petition was duly considered and dealt with, with the approval of the Government of India, and it is therefore unnecessary to refer to it further here.

(2) The Chief Commissioner is aware that there was at first some misconception amongst the Force, as to the scope of the proposed reductions, and the mode in which they were to be carried out; but this could hardly and ought not to have been the case after the issue of the order noted in the *margin, in which it was clearly stated that no efficient Officers or Siledar, desirous of remaining in the service, should be discharged in connection with the reduction, and that compulsory discharge would only extend to worn out and unfit men.

*No. 3377—Mily, 63, dated 22nd September 1873.

It will suffice to add on this point, that, as the Military Assistant has always heretofore been vested with authority to discharge men of the latter description summarily, and without either pension or gratuity, and has exercised that authority freely, the measure under report has really been a great boon to such men, of whom there was notoriously a large number in the Force, and the Chief Commissioner cannot doubt that much of the difficulty described in para 18 was really due to the details of the measure not having been generally thoroughly understood.

3.) As regards the point mentioned in para 20, the reduction could hardly be otherwise than distasteful in some respects to certain classes connected with the Force; but there is no ground for the belief that this feeling extends beyond those classes, and it may be noticed, as sufficiently bearing on this subject, that the service has been little sought after of late years, and that the class of candidates for employment in it has been notoriously a very restricted one, as well as limited in numbers.

Colonel Meade will only add to these remarks the expression of his confident assurance that the results of the measure under review, and the proposed re-organization of the Force, if carried out with due care and judgment, will raise the tone and reputation of the service, and give it a value in the estimation of the public and of the Siledars themselves, which it has not possessed for a very long period.

8. The foregoing observations deal with that part of the Military Assistant's report, which refers to the reductions that have been carried out.

9. With regard to the remarks in paras 21 to 31 on the future organization of the Regiments composing the Force, the Chief Commissioner observes as follows:—

(I.) If it is deemed desirable to increase the existing proportion of Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officers in each Regiment in reorganizing the Force,

there can, in his opinion, be no valid reason, in what is urged, why a corresponding reduction should not be made in the number of Savars. The Military Assistant appears to have forgotten in his opening remark in para 23, that one Regiment of Siledars was reduced so lately as 1867, and the view expressed in this para, in connection with the above point, appears to Colonel Meade to be somewhat overdrawn.

(II.) The substitution of a Regiment Writer and Accountant and a Kote or Pay Daffedar for Troop in each Regiment, for the present Sar-Peshkar and Peshkars who perform the work done by the former classes in British Regiments, was suggested in consequence of a remark of the Military Assistant that the present arrangements on this head were objectionable and productive of intrigue; the Peshkars regarding themselves as subordinate to the Central Office and not to the Commanders of Regiments. The suggested measure has some obvious advantages in the interests of the Force, and may perhaps be considered at some future time; but under the circumstances stated, the Chief Commissioner has no wish to press its adoption now. It will, however, be proper to make the Peshkars in each Regiment really subordinate to the Regimentdar, who should, under the new organization, be recognized as the head of his Regiment in all respects, and be held responsible for every thing connected with it.

(III.) The retention of one Paid (Foot) Mahaldar or orderly in each Regiment may be provided for in the new organization. The word "Vakil in the order referred to was a misprint for "Nakib." Of course all persons discharged in carrying out the new organization will be entitled to pensions or gratuities on the scale sanctioned for the reduction.

10. The following statement shews the strength of each Regiment under the existing organization and that proposed in the order of 23rd ultimo, modified in accordance with the foregoing remarks, and in some other respects, which, on re-consideration, appear to the Chief Commissioner desirable, with the respective charge under each.

	Detail.		Establishment Complement.				Monthly Charge per Regiment.			
			Present.		Proposed.		Present.		Proposed.	
			Of one Regiment.	Three Regiments	Of one Regiment.	Of three Regiments.	Pay of each.	Total of each Grade.	Pay of each.	Total of each Grade.
	1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Regimentdars	Officers.	1	3	1	3	250	250	250	250
2	Risaldars		6	18	6	18	120	720	120	720
3	Jamadars		...	...	6	18	...	...	50	300
4	Sarzafardars		1	3	1	3	60	60	60	60
5	Jamadars	Non-Comd. Officers.	30	90	...	...	35	1,050	...	...
6	Zafardars or Daffedars		6	18	36	108	30	180	35	1,260
7	Nishanbardars		1	3	1	3	26	26	32	32
8	Trumpet Majors		...	...	1	3	...	...	30	30
9	Trumpeters.		2	6	6	18	25	50	26	156
10	Kettle drummer		1	3	1	3	25	25	26	26
11	Savars		300	900	300	990	26	7,800	28	8580
12	Farrier Majors		...	...	1	3	...	...	30	30
13	Farriers		...	...	6	18	...	...	26	156
14	Mounted Mahaldars		6	18	...	...	26	156	...	...
15	Foot Mahaldars		1	3	1	3	7-10-8	7-10-8	7-10-8	7-10-8
16	Sarpeshkars		1	3	1	3	40	40	40	40
17	Peshkars		6	18	6	18	35	210	35	210
18	Nakibs		1	3	...	...	28	28	...	...
19	Jhanda Daffedars		1	3	1	3	6	6	6	6
20	Jhandawallas		3	9	3	9	5	15	5	15
		Total.....	367	1,101	408	1,224	...	10,623 10 8	...	11,378 10 8
					Allowance for 12 Lance Daffedars...		...	...	...	24
										11,902 10 8
					Or for three Regiments..		...	31,871	...	35,708